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In re Application of

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U.S. Serial No. 10/621,275

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RESUBMISSION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.97(c) & (e)(1)

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the communication from the Examiner mailed March 14, 2008, applicants are resubmitting herewith the attached PTO Form PTO/SB/08A making U.S. Patent No. 5,982,891 of record in the captioned application. The Examiner stated that U.S. Patent No. 5,982,891 was not earlier considered since the European Patent Office (EPO) search report in which the patent was cited was not listed in the "IDS" (which applicants' assume to mean Form PTO/SB/08A (Form 1449) since the EPO search report was attached to the applicants' Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed January 28, 2008). Applicants respectfully submit that the IDS was proper as to U.S. Patent No.

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5,982,891 and that it should have been considered by the Examiner.

More specifically, the EPO search report was submitted with the IDS filed January 28, 2008 for the purpose of evidencing the date of the EPO search report to support applicants' certification that the reference was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than 3 months prior to the filing of the IDS. Thus, the submission of U.S. Patent No. 5,982,891 met the requirements of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98 and should have been considered by the Examiner and, thus is now being resubmitted for that purpose.

The EPO search report is not required to be listed on Form PTO/SB/08A in order for U.S. Patent No. 5,982,891 to be considered since it was properly submitted. In general, an entire IDS does not fail simply because an examiner does not consider one document. This is the purpose for being able to cross through an individual reference listed in PTO/SB/08A in the event one document fails in meeting submission requirements.

Accordingly, applicants resubmit Form PTO/SB/08A listing U.S. Patent No. 5,982,891, which was previously

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timely submitted in the IDS filed January 28, 2008 in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98, and requests consideration thereof.

No fee is currently due. However, if it is determined that a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-3690.

Respectfully submitted,

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